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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I verily believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

MICROSCOPE FOR REFLECTED-LIGHT AND TRANSMITTED-LIGHT MICROSCOPY the specification of which is attached hereto. was filed on September 8, 2000 _ as United States patent application Serial Number _09/858,321 was filed on as PCT international patent application No. and was amended on (if any). I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: Prior Foreign Application(s) COUNTRY APPLICATION NUMBER DATE OF FILING (day, month, year) PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119 Germany 199 42 998.7 09 September 1999 YES X NO YES NO I hereby appoint REED SMITH LLP and the members of the firm: Lloyd McAulay, Reg. No. 20,423; J. Harold Nissen, Reg. No. 17,283; Jules E. Goldberg, Reg. No. 24,408; Gerald H. Kiel, Reg. No. 25,116; Eugene LeDonne, Reg. No. 35,930; Stephen Chin, Reg. No. 39,938; Arthur Dresner, Reg. No. 24,403; Daniel Lent, Reg. No. 44,867; and Samir R. Patel, Reg. No. 44,998 as attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute all business in the Patent & Trademark Office connected therewith and to receive all correspondence. SEND CORRESPONDENCE TO: Gerald H. Kiel, Esq. REED SMITH, LLP 375 Park Avenue New York, New York 10152-1789, U.S.A. DIRECT TELEPHONE CALLS TO: (212) 521-5400 I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. FULL NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR INVENTOR'S SIGNATURE. DATE Gerhard J. MUELLER 24 JAN . 200 A RESIDENCE COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP D-14129 Berlin, Germany Germany POST OFFICE ADDRESS An der Rehwiese 8, D-14129 Berlin, Germany INVENTOR'S SIGNATURE FULL NAME OF SECOND INVENTOR (IF ANY) Ralf WOLLESCHENSKY 01/05/01 RESIDENCE COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP D-99510 Schoeten, Germany Germany POST OFFICE ADDRESS An der Promenade 3, D-99510 Schoeten, Germany